



Parish Council

Help for those affected by Coronavirus

Dear All

The good part is the way neighbours are all looking out for each other.

We want to let you know that the Parish Council is also here to help. You will hopefully have seen the recent flyer. Thank you to everyone who has contacted us. And please continue to contact us.

Please let us know if you require assistance, be it shopping, a delivery or collection, or just a phone call. **And please shout if you know of anyone who needs help.**

Volunteers If not in a high risk group please contact us if you can offer help.

We can act as a hub for communication and administration. We will all act within the government's guidelines <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

The Terms and Conditions on the .gov website are clear that exemptions from restrictions apply for those...

- Purchasing essential supplies (although this should be minimised)
- Collecting medicines, or attending to any medical need
- Assisting vulnerable members of society.

We wish everyone well at this testing time

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Hi Everyone

This is probably the strangest Newsletter with no social events, groups, gatherings or meetings to be publicised – other than those which can be held electronically.

Please be mindful of Government guidance, and stay well.

Ed

NEWSLETTER DELIVERY

The Parish Council is trying to set up a Village-wide email system to avoid the need for extensive hand delivery. If you are happy for us to hold your email address in order to deliver the *Newsletter* electronically would you please email 'YES' to confirm this to alanbtyler19@btinternet.com.

In line with the provisions of GDPR (the General Data Protection Regulations), Cliddesden Parish Council takes the protection of your personal data seriously and we will only use your email address for the agreed purpose and will not pass your details to any third party.



100 CLUB

Hello members

The draw for March was called at the Coffee Morning at the Village Hall on 8th March.

Here are the lucky winners

1st	115	Darcey Carmichael
2nd	437	Mathew Jones
3rd	240	Charlie Beresford-Davies

Congratulations



Parish Council meetings and the Parish Assembly are postponed until further notice.

The Parish Council will instead and for the time being hold discussions via skype. Anyone who has a query or issue to raise, please email clerk.cliddesden@parish.hants.gov.uk – you are welcome to join the discussion on skype.

NOTES FROM MARCH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Present – all Parish Councillors plus Clerk, together with Ward Cllr Mark Ruffell, and five members of the public including Basing Ward Cllr Onnalee Cubitt. Apologies from PC Andy Reid.

Parish planning applications

Three planning applications for new-build properties discussed.

Neighbourhood Plan The Parish Council approved the Vision, Aims and Objectives, as drafted, consulted on and revised. A funding application has been submitted to the National Lottery.

Speed indicator device The first SID the PC purchased is again faulty. The problem appears to be as previously with the receiving antenna on the radar not working. Westcotec have agreed collection for repair.

Clean air campaign Noted that BDBC has introduced a byelaw empowering officers to caution or fine motorists 'idling' with the engine on. These enforcement powers only apply on the public highways, and not to private premises. Agreed that drivers waiting outside Cliddesden Primary School should be encouraged to switch off car engines, be it on school premises or on the highway.

Lengthsman tasks March

Scheduled for full day (20 man hours) on Friday 13th, and a half day (10 man hours) Monday 23rd March.

- To cut back the vegetation around the road signs, and
- To clean the road signs across the Parish;

- To investigate, and alleviate as possible, flooding on Hackwood Lane (noted that road flooding worsening here, significant rainfall now ensures a 'lake' of increasing depth);
- Remaining hours to be spent clearing the pond silt traps.

It seems that County funding for the Parish Lengthsman Scheme will continue at least for 2020/21.

Village Spring Clean The Parish Council purchased 12 litter pickers, and recorded its thanks to 3CG for organising the event.

Newsletter Editors required.

Jolly Farmer It was noted that the pub, with new landlord, now has new lighting and a good atmosphere. To close on Friday 13th March for a month for alterations as per approved planning application and listed building consent.

Parish Council website host IONOS has increased its fees. To move to Hugo Fox a free of charge community web-hosting platform.

CountryWatch If you would like to receive regular updates please contact Simon Barker, our local Neighbourhood Watch / CountyWatch co-ordinator.

PARISH COUNCIL AUDIT

Due to the Coronavirus Parish Council auditing dates are under review.

PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

20/00489/TDC (pending) Land to Rear of The Mount, Farleigh Road. Technical Details Consent for the erection of two dwellings with associated access, parking and landscaping (following approval of 19/02487/PIP).

20/00379/FUL (pending) 27 Southlea. Erection of one 3-bedroomed detached dwelling with associated parking.

20/00390/FUL (pending) Land Adjoining 1 Millars Cottages, Station Road. Erection of one 3-bedroomed dwelling with car parking and cycle shed and rearrangement of parking for 1-3 Millars Cottages.

PARISH TREE APPLICATIONS

T/00110/20/DDD Lower Church Cottage, 7 Church Lane, Cliddesden. Notice of exempt works to protected trees. Fell storm damaged Cedar.

Notes from Tree Officer – The Blue Cedar has failed at a 'predictable' failure point. As discussed with the tree surgeon, even if the tree is made safe, it will look unsightly, and would need to be further pruned in order to achieve a reasonably formed canopy. I would be content to see it replaced.

Unfortunately, Blue Atlas Cedars of early maturity seem to be prone to failure, either due to compression forks. As it is a Conservation Area, a re-plant notice will be served, so we have the opportunity to maintain tree cover. It would be good to get an appropriate sized tree, which adds to the landscape whilst providing a nectar source and fruit. Suggestions: Lebanese apple, *Malus trilobata* 'Guardsman', (or Brush Bush *Eucryphia x nymansensis* 'Nymansay').

T/00093/20/TCA (24 Feb) Hill View, Farleigh Road. T2 Cherry: reduce branches overhanging neighbouring property back to the boundary.

THE PLANNING INSPECTORATE

has postponed all appeal site visits until further notice (27 Mar).



CLIDDESSEN CHAT Announcing a new on-line 'channel'

'Cliddesden Chat' at <http://www.facebook.com/groups/1559293530903228>.

In this time of crisis and uncertainty, it is hoped that this group will help the residents of Cliddesden remain connected, as well as helping us all feel a bit less lonely.



VILLAGE HALL NEWS



Due to the public health emergency relating to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, and in line with Government Guidance, all classes and events at the Hall are cancelled or postponed until further notice.

The Hall's AGM is postponed, there will be a future announcement as to if and when it is rescheduled. The Cliddesden Players' Summer Play, previously scheduled for 12th and 13th June, is cancelled.

The Trustees' best wishes go out to everyone in the community, hope that you and your family and friends are able to remain safe and well during these uncertain times. We hope that the Hall can be used in some positive way for the benefit of the community, restrictions permitting.

Other news... 100 Club subscriptions were due by the end of March. If you have not yet renewed, or wish to increase your subscription, please contact Rose Beevers on 01256 475 944 or at 100club@cliddesdenhall.org.uk, see membership form at the back of the newsletter.

In this time of financial uncertainty for charities and small business alike, we do hope that you consider this as an easy way to help the Hall through a period of reduced income.

Another way to help the Hall during this financial uncertainty is to consider Give As You Live – an easy way to make donations to the Hall just by shopping on-line. If you have not done so already, please consider signing up for free at www.giveasyoulive.com/join/cliddesdenhall before you do any more on-line shopping so that donations can be made to the Hall on your behalf at no extra cost to you every time you shop.

That's all for now. Keep safe and well.

Greg Mendelsohn.

chair@cliddesdenhall.org.uk

Village Hall Management Committee





Update on the Cliddesden Neighbourhood Plan.



Since we began our journey at the Parish Assembly in May 2018, we have made considerable progress towards the completion of a plan for the village.

Our early milestones have been:

The formation of the Neighbourhood Planning Group

- ❖ Setting the Terms of Reference for the group
- ❖ The Open Day in November 2018, when we invited you to have your say on what issues should be included in the Plan. We had a great turnout and 85 people attended.
- ❖ A complete analysis of the information provided at the open day so that we could develop our Aims and Objectives.
- ❖ The production of a Draft set of Vision Aims and Objectives.
- ❖ Setting up a facebook page and a web site in the spring of 2019
- ❖ Reporting to you at the Parish Assembly in May 2019
- ❖ The production of a questionnaire which went to every household in June 2019. You gave us a response of 37% which is considered excellent by the standards set by other villages.
- ❖ The analysis of the information supplied in the questionnaire.
- ❖ Working with consultants we have nearly completed a detailed position statement and design guide
- ❖ A revision to the Vision Aims and Objectives has been made on the basis of the questionnaire
- ❖ We have produced an initial scoping document of the issues and this will be shared with you at an open day in the autumn.
- ❖ We have met regularly with BDBC throughout the process.
- ❖ We will be presenting a position statement to you at the next Parish Assembly.

As you can see in the ladder to the left of this article, we are graphically expressing our journey and this will be regularly updated in future and used on articles published in the village.

We have come a long way since the start of our journey and there has been a great deal of preparation work carried out. We have applied to the lottery for additional funding and hopefully will be able to make use of the expertise of planning consultants in developing our policies for the plan.

Our next step will be the open day in the autumn which will be held in the village hall where we will be asking you if we have got the right issues on which to develop our plan policies. Your involvement is critical to the success of the plan so look out for the adverts and put the date in your diary.

In the meantime, if you are interested in helping us in any way please let one of the group know. The more people involved the quicker it will all get done.

Neighbourhood Planning Group: Brian Karney, Mark Gifford, Alison Mosson, Dave Brown, Alan Tyler and the Clerk to the Parish Council Sue Turner

NEWSLETTER EDITORS All the Editors are volunteers and we share the monthly issues between us. Many hands make light work! The more we have on the team the easier it is for all of us. All that's needed is Word or any basic layout package, finished pages are sent to the printers as pdf. If you can help please contact any member of the Parish Council or email clerk.cliddesden@parish.hants.gov.uk

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CLIDDESSEN, FARLEIGH WALLOP & ELLISFIELD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY



NEWS FOR APRIL

Hello from Claire!

With all the rain we were having it was either April showers, or how to plant your paddy field!



As per Government guidance a number of events will need to be cancelled.

These so far are

- **The evening meeting Thursday 26th March**
- **The Spring show on Sunday April 5th**
- **The Gardens competition Monday June 22nd**

SUMMER SHOW

Fuchsias for the Summer Show are one per household, £1.50 per plant. Plants for the childrens classes are also be available – these are free, one per child.

Steve Bowcutt I believe has delivered all the requested fuchsias, and I still have a couple here too. Plantlets for the children are available by request from me.

Hopefully the weather will be warmer, and the time for planting in the garden will be upon us.

With this in mind here is a gem of wisdom from *Old Wives Lore for Gardeners* by Maureen & Bridget Boland...



Old Wives Lore for Gardeners...

'The best husbandmen would have the seedsman of turnips or rapes to be naked when he sows them, and in sowing to protest that this which he doth is for himself and his neighbours.'

Presumably, it was hoped that the gods might look more kindly on the naked, innocent amateur than on the prosperous market gardener.

Perhaps, though, the advice was not always given for purely magical reasons: we should not sow when the ground is too cold for the good of the seed, and are less likely to do so if we are told we must be naked when we do it.

We have heard that in Lincolnshire, to test whether the soil was in the right condition for sowing barley, farmers used to take off their trousers and sit on the ground: if it was comfortable for them it would be comfortable for the barley.

So... if you see a naked gardener, or a farmer sitting in the field with their trousers down... it's just soil testing!

WHAT'S COMING UP

Though subject to review

**Sunday 10th May 1pm to 3.30pm
Cliddesden Millennium Hall**

PLANT SALE

Our annual plant sale, hopefully being held for the second time at the Millennium Hall.

There's always a wonderful variety of plants on offer – annuals, perennials, herbs, and vegetables. And at very reasonable prices.

The plant sale is open to everyone, there's no entry charge, and there are committee members on hand to give advice on how to get the best from your purchases.

This is our major fundraiser of the year, so your support is greatly appreciated.

**Thursday 14th May 7.45pm
Cliddesden Millennium Hall**

GARDEN PHOTOGRAPHY - ANDY SMALL

This evening could be a sumptuous feast of colour for the eyes! Andy is not only a celebrated photographer, he also runs tutorials for the RHS, and is known for his modern graphic style and use of colour. I think his approach is best described using his own words:

'The natural world is my lifelong passion and provides inspiration for my drawing, painting and photography. The macro lens is like a window that transports me into another world. In this place I observe details, shapes and patterns that are not usually seen even though most of the subjects are right under our noses... I am fascinated by the intricate structure and design found in nature and my photography celebrates this diverse but orderly world that sometimes goes unnoticed.' Andy Small

Everyone is welcome at our meetings. Entry is £1 for members, £2 for non-members.

Tea/coffee and biscuits will be available – donations please.



ST LEONARD'S ANNUAL DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING 22nd April 2020

The meeting will now be held electronically

Agenda

- 1 Election of Church Wardens for St Leonard's
- 2 Election of District Church Council for St Leonard's
- 3 Election of representatives for the Parish of Farleigh Parochial Church Council
- 4 Election of sidesmen for St Leonard's
- 5 Election of Village Hall representative
- 6 Election of Secretary to St Leonard's DCC

Currently the churchwarden is Dr Matthew Jones, though we will need a second to come forward for consideration

The DCC is currently depleted, with Matthew Jones, Ross Palmer, Val Gofton Salmond and Julian Nunn as members. Ideally we would like two or three more to join.

The PCC reps are Julian Nunn, with Eamonn Harding and Matthew Jones in attendance and Gill Palmer as Secretary and Philippa Tilley as minute's secretary.

The Village Hall rep is vacant and we would really like someone to consider this role.

ACTION PLEASE

Would all electoral role members consider putting themselves forward for election to any of the elected positions, by email or letter to the Secretary, or to Matthew Jones, by 15th April?

We will then email again with all proposals for electronic approval or approval by letter as above.

Thank you for considering the Agenda.

Dr Matthew Jones
Church Warden, St Leonard's

Message from Rev Stephen Mourant

As you will know all places of public gathering, including St Leonard's Church are currently closed for a while. The building may be closed but the church is open!

We are meeting though, to worship on Sundays, through services online – please go to our website and follow the link! There will be an increasing number of helpful links for you to use to sustain you in these difficult days: some of us also meet for prayer, fellowship and Bible reflection online via Zoom.

For anyone in need of prayer, support, help, I am available, phone 01256 381217, email stevemourant@btinternet.com and I have SKYPE and Zoom facility as well. If I don't answer the phone immediately please leave a message and I'll ring back.

'Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.' Philippians 4:6-7

May God strengthen and bless you all in this difficult time with His presence, peace and living hope.

Stephen

Stephen Mourant, Associate Rector, Benefice of Farleigh, Candover and Wield, The Rectory, Church Lane, Ellisfield RG25 2QR

Living the life...telling the story....visit us at <http://www.farleighcandoverandwield.org.uk>

An Auction of Promises

In Aid of Facilities and the Upkeep of St. Leonard's Church Cliddesden
POSTPONED TO 7TH NOVEMBER 2020 7.30pm
Cliddesden Millenium Village Hall
Tickets £10 each to include food. Licensed bar on the night

We'll have a dedicated auctioneer and a live and silent auction on the night

There are lots of ways to be part of the event:

- Make a pledge to be auctioned
- Be part of the night and bid
- Companies can also pledge
- Advertise in the catalogue

This is a great way to raise much needed funds for the local church whilst enjoying a fantastic evening. It's also an effective way to advertise local businesses and services through donations, pledges or advertising.

For more information contact:

John Donaldson 475721	Ben Maunder 327859
Eamonn Harding 475985	Val Gofton-Salmond 474425

PUT THE DATE IN YOUR DIARY!



FACING THE CHALLENGE OF CORONAVIRUS

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York are calling for Church of England churches to put public worship on hold and become a 'different sort of church' in the coming months to face the challenge of Coronavirus.

In a joint letter, Archbishops Justin Welby and John Sentamu said it was now necessary to put public services on hold until further notice.

But they said that far from having to 'shut up shop', the Church of England must face the challenge by becoming a radically different kind of church rooted in prayer and serving others.

Supporting the Foodbank

St Leonard's will also continue to support the local foodbank. Please consider those in most need at these difficult times. A box for donations is in the church porch, or donations can be dropped off at 22 Southlea – please ring the bell and leave by the door and we will take them to the food bank.

St Leonard's Annual Report

Again a very busy year for St Leonard's District Church Council. The DCC had a priority to attract new members, but without success. However, we do have volunteers to help us with tasks such as maintenance, fund raising, special and general cleaning, flower arranging and church opening.

Services have continued the well-established pattern. The Easter service attendance up this year (69 compared to 62 in 2018). Midnight communion was down at 34. The nine lessons and carols attendance was also up (104 compared to 95 in 2018). The Crib service and Christingle services were lower on numbers and we do need to consider the best way to improve attendances. In general, church attendance was slightly down again, which is a worrying trend, as regular attenders either move away or are no longer with us.

An innovation is for Messy Church activities to take place in the vestry family communion and family services. The children, led by Claire Nunn, seem to enjoy this very much.

On a sad note, Shirley Maunder's passing just before Christmas means one of St Leonard's stalwarts is no longer with us. Shirley has served the church in so many ways, as a Church Warden (indeed the first to preach during a service), as St Leonard's PCC treasurer, as a PCC and DCC member, and as a good friend to so many. She was a major force behind the provision of new toilet facilities and a major donor towards these. We will sorely miss her.

St Leonard's once more hosted a very happy confirmation service on a gloriously sunny day, where the outside catering was much appreciated, as were the cakes and drinks brought by those being confirmed.

The food bank operating within the church continues to be successful and our contributions help the work to feed those more unfortunate.

In what has now become a regular event, Basingstoke Conservation volunteers have helped us to maintain and improve the SINC again this year. Each year additional improvements are made which we hope are appreciated by the village and visitors alike.

Once again we supported the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Historic Churches Trust in their annual fund raising event, Ride and Stride. We had two sponsored families participating as well as having the church is open as usual. St Leonard's benefitted from a grant of £6,000 from HICHT and HCC, which was as a direct result of our support for the charity.

The great news this year is that we have completed the toilet, kitchenette and pew re-arrangements. These are now in use and are a welcome addition to the church facilities. While the work was underway, and after the work was completed, many people just turned up to clean away dust before services without which, services might not have been possible. The facilities were formally opened and blessed by the Bishop of Basingstoke.

Quinquennial work required on the black mould on church walls has been completed by volunteers. As ever, St Leonard's would not be able to operate as efficiently without the work of all volunteers.



POLICE UPDATE

Dear Residents

I am pleased to report a reduction in reported crime across the area of this magazine in the past few weeks. I do however wish to start with an appeal for information in relation to a burglary to a shed in College Lane, Ellisfield, overnight of February 17th and 18th when a chainsaw was stolen. While we have had no reported crime of note, please be mindful that during these interesting times the criminals will take full advantage if they can and such national emergencies will bring out both the very best and sadly worst of human behaviour. However I ask residents not to be worried about becoming a victim of crime, reported crime is low and with vigilance the chances of becoming a victim are even less likely especially in relation to fraud scams.

Cyber criminals are exploiting people's interest in COVID-19 to spread Ransomware by locking people out of their accounts or stealing information unless a ransom is paid. Ransomware is a type of malware that prevents you from accessing your computer (or the data that is stored on it). The computer itself may become locked, or the data on it might be stolen, deleted or encrypted.

Kindly read and follow the current advice from the National Cyber Security Centre to avoid becoming a victim of Ransomware.

<https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/blog-post/updating-malware-ransomware-guidance>

Covid19Ransomware.JPG - 321.2 KB

There have been increased warnings over the rise of fraud scams exploiting the coronavirus outbreak, as UK losses near £1m. These include emails claiming to be from World Health Organisation and other official bodies with many people reporting scams which have seen people pay for protective equipment that never arrived, as fraudsters use the global pandemic to target members of the public. The National Fraud Intelligence Bureau said reports related to the outbreak have rocketed 400% in recent weeks.

The majority of reports were of online shopping scams where people ordered protective face masks,

hand sanitiser, and other products that have never arrived. Action Fraud, which has a reporting hotline, has received more than 200 reports of coronavirus-themed phishing emails, which trick recipients into opening malicious attachments allowing the theft of their personal information or financial details.

Some of the emails claim to be from a research group mimicking the World Health Organisation (WHO) or US Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). They claim to provide the victim with a list of active infections in their area if they click on a link to a credential-stealing page, or make a bitcoin donation.

Others are offering fake medical support and targeting people who may be vulnerable or increasingly isolated at home. Fraudsters try to lure you in with offers that look too good to be true, such as high return investments and 'healthcare opportunities', or appeals for you to support those who are ill or bogus charities.

The advice is simple, think very carefully before you hand over your money, and don't give out your personal details unless you are sure who you are dealing with.

Other fraudsters are tricking people into clicking on a malicious link to a newsletter with coronavirus updates, sending investment and trading advice on how to take financial advantage of the economic downturn or directing people to a fake HMRC website offering tax refunds.

If you think you have been a victim please report to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040. I would also recommend a visit to the Action Fraud website which has some useful anti-fraud information.

The Metropolitan Police are reporting that thieves are offering to shop for the elderly and then stealing their money and not returning with the goods. Also that burglars have been posing as NHS workers carrying out coronavirus testing in order to gain entry to homes.

Please do not worry, just be vigilant and if you need any advice please call.

Many thanks, stay safe and please observe the new restrictions from HMG on social gatherings and the restrictions of going out from home

Andrew Reid, Local Constable 01256.389050
07768 776844 andrew.reid@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

BDBC press releases <https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/press-releases>

Garden waste and bulky waste collections suspended (21st March) No new garden waste subscriptions or renewals will be accepted until the service is up and running again. New bulky waste collection bookings will be stopped until further notice, with the councils aiming to honour their existing bookings scheduled into April. Any changes or updates to the planned collections will be provided on the council's website and social media.

Play areas closed (24th March) BDBC has closed all its public play areas and outdoor exercise equipment across the borough, following the government's latest guidance to prevent the spread of COVID-19.





3CG Litter Pick 21st March

Many, many thanks to the 40+ grown-ups and children who enjoyed the sunshine and the chance to be out in the fresh air for our annual Litter Pick! It was lovely to see whole families taking part.

With such a large group we were able to cover all the roads in the village (and beyond!) by clearing up litter blown into hedges or thrown out of cars to be trapped along the verges. Many hands did make light work!

The one grumble was the doggy poo bags found hanging on trees or bushes, although we assume most of our village dog walkers are not the culprits. Please remind people to take them home or put in one of the designated bins.

Members of the Parish Council cleared mud and tidied up around the pond and contributed to making it a real community spirited event.

So thank you again for your time and efforts to keep our lovely village looking spick and span. I think that we are going to be enjoying Cliddesden even more this spring as we all take our social-distancing strolls to make sure we get enough exercise!

Keep well and safe everyone.

Best wishes from,

Alison, Mary, Gill & Angie



Council tax changes during COVID-19 outbreak

All BDBC residents paying by installment (all now over 10 months) will have their 'no payment' months in April and May 2020 – this is instead of February and March 2021.

These changes will be automatically applied. If residents wish to set up a different payment plan, including reverting to paying over 12 months they will need to email us at localtax@basingstoke.gov.uk

Working age residents who receive support through the Council Tax Reduction Scheme will receive a further reduction of up to £150 on their Council Tax bills. This discount will be automatically applied.





CLIDDESSEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

On Wednesday 12th February, Willow class held an Alien Day.

The aliens arrived in amazing costumes, and paraded and explained their outfits. They tried alien writing and made alien food. Some children chose to make little alien models and drew their dressed-up selves.



In the afternoon we found alien wiggly worms left by the aliens. The blue ones were really hard to find on our bright astro! Then we rewarded ourselves with an alien picnic. Yummy!

We then got ready for our 'Out of this world!' exhibition. The hall became our exhibition centre and we shared our models with our parents and siblings.

Everyone agreed that we had explained and answered questions clearly and confidently.

On Tuesday 25th February, Oak Class went to London, to visit the Clink and the Houses of Parliament, to finish our History topic of Crime and Punishment.

The Clink was once a prison, run by the Bishop of Winchester. It was opened in the 12th Century and operated until the 18th Century. The nickname 'Clink' comes from the noise that was made by the prison blacksmith attaching chains to the prisoners when they entered the gaol. We found out that many poorer prisoners did not survive their stay in the Clink; they would have had to pay for food, water and even their chains. Conditions in the prison were not good: prisoners had to use a bucket in the corner of the room as their toilet and rats infested the cells. Some prisoners even ate the rats as they could not afford food. We also learnt about the types of punishment that were given to those who were found guilty of breaking the Bishop of Winchester's laws.



After lunch, we travelled to the Houses of Parliament to discover how our modern-day laws were made. We were given a tour of both the House of Commons and the House of Lords, and our tour guides explained how the two Houses create laws and check those laws. We were very lucky to see both processes in action, watching debates on tax avoidance and the proposed HS2 rail link. We also got a chance to see Westminster Hall, where (amongst other people) Guy Fawkes was tried.

Once we had seen the Palace of Westminster, we returned to the education centre, where we learnt about the suffragettes and how they had struggled to get the vote for women. At the end of the session, we had a chance to meet the MP for North East Hampshire, Ranil Jayawardena. The children got to ask him some interesting and thoughtful questions before we had to leave. Although it was a long day, we all learnt something new and felt very privileged to have been able to visit the parliament buildings.

On Thursday 27th February, seven Year 6 members of the netball team participated in the annual High Five competition. Led by captain, Oliver, the team confidently took to the court to achieve a 4-0 victory against St John's Primary School. Our next game was against Park View, we managed another victory with one more game to go to ensure entry into the next round we were up against the formidable North Waltham. The match was touch and go but with amazing teamwork and a touch of encouragement from the side lines. Cliddesden not only won but sailed through to the next round as top of their group. This was a great experience for the team and really boosted their confidence. We will now take part in the finals on 19th March.



There were lots of colourful and creative hairstyles worn in school for Mad Hair Day. We raised £94 for St Michael's Hospice.

Our Tag Rugby team played in the third leg of the Norman League Tournament at Chalk Ridge. We began by defeating leaders Hatch Warren 3-2 and drew our remaining games against St John's and Chalk Ridge. Despite the driving rain and mud, we played very well and were unlucky not to win all our games as we did have some tries disallowed for not placing the ball properly. Something we will now work on. We have one final meeting at our home venue at Brighton Hill on 30 March 2020. We currently stand in second place, 6 points behind the leaders Hatch Warren. It may seem a long shot to catch Hatch Warren but we will certainly give it a go!

We started the Book Week with a whole school assembly to launch our 'Share a million stories' in March challenge. We followed this with the first book buddies time. Everyone chose books and the older children shared them with the younger children. It was lovely to see all the children engaged and really enjoying books in different places with new friends.

On Tuesday, all the classes were able to develop creative dances to music, inspired by books and learning themes. Thank-you, Mrs Nunn for leading our children, and sharing their amazing creative responses with the whole school. **In the afternoon, the finalists from each year group heat competed in the Cliddesden Spelling Bee.** It was closely fought with bonus house points going to the rest of the school if they managed to spell some very tricky words too. Congratulations to Eli for winning, and the runners up Elsie, Zoe, Bluebell, Luke A, Ewan and Alizé. All the staff were very proud of the high standard of spelling across the school.



Weird write Wednesday, produced some amazing stories.

On World Book day, the children came dressed as their favourite book characters and shared their favourite books with their friends. The whole school celebrated the variety of book characters in assembly.

On Friday, the school celebrated all the challenges the classes had undertaken in our Big Class Book Off. Well done to Willow and Chestnut for completing the most challenges. Willow particularly enjoyed making pirate captains to use with our class story treasure chest to tell stories, and listening to a story in the rain! Chestnut enjoyed seeing how books are made, listening to a story outdoors and exploring book illustrations.

The children had a great week and thoroughly enjoyed this enriching reading experience.

Paula Lavender

100 CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM – RENEWALS AND NEW MEMBERS

April is the start of the 2020/21 membership for the 100 Club and are looking for new members to join and the renewal of existing membership.

There is no easier way to help with fundraising than joining the 100 Club, or increasing your “holding”. More tickets sold mean more funds for the Hall and more prize money.

For people who are new to Cliddesden the 100 Club is a way to have a little flutter and help look after our lovely Millennium Village Hall. Each month half of Rose Beevers, 01256 475944, 100Club@cliddesdenhall.org.uk

proceeds are paid out as prize money; 1st prize 30% (currently £39), 2nd prize 15%, 3rd prize 5%. The remaining 50% goes to the Hall fund.

Membership is only £12.00 per year, per number, no limit per household.

There are a variety of ways you can make payment - Electronic Funds Transfer, Standing Order, cash or cheque. Cheques should be made payable to ‘Cliddesden Village Hall’. The easiest method is Electronic Funds Transfer or Standing Order and the

Hall’s bank details are on the form below. You can hand cheques and cash, along with the form, to Angie Fewster at Ridge wood House, Farleigh Road, Julie James at Leaview House, 10 Hackwood Lane, or Rose Beevers, Church Farm Cottage, Church Lane.

If for any reason you are an existing member and do not wish to continue to support the Village Hall via the 100 Club could you let me know and I will withdraw your number, otherwise your number will continue to run for 2020/21.

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